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In response to the Final Office Action dated April 24, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 24, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/UNMC/0008/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

The Pending Claims are shown in a listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.